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U-2 [REDACTED] C288C

JUSTIFICATION

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This mission is in response to the USIB requirement for photographic coverage of high priority targets along the Northeast China Coast. The 303 Committee has approved four photographic missions for the month of December 1968. This U-2 aircraft [REDACTED] will remain 20 NM off the Communist China mainland.

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TARGET DATA

This mission has been designed to cover 64 COMIREX targets along the Northeast China Coast. These COMIREX targets include sixteen airfields, twenty-five military complexes, fourteen naval installations, three electronic sites, four coastal defense sites, and two city complexes.

PREVIOUS COVERAGE

The last U-2 flight near this area was Mission C198C on 7 November 1968. The most recent satellite photography which covered segments of the targets include the following:



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TARGETSITEM NO.COMIREX NO & NAME

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| 1.  | Hsin Chin Airfield                       |
| 2.  | Hsin Chin Airfield South                 |
| 3.  | Hsin Chin Military Complex (Pu Lan Tien) |
| 4.  | Hsin Chin Army Bks. SE                   |
| 5.  | Lu Ta/Cheng Sha Ho Airfield              |
| 6.  | Lu Ta Army Bks Liu Shu Tun               |
| 7.  | Lu Ta/San Shih Li Pu Airfield            |
| 8.  | San Shih Li Pao Army Bks., Su Chia Tun   |
| 9.  | Lu Ta/Chou Shui Tzu Airfield             |
| 10. | Chin Hsien Airfield, S. E. 1             |
| 11. | Lu Ta Complex (Ta Lien)                  |
| 12. | Lu Ta Port Facilities                    |
| 13. | Lu Ta Motor Pool                         |
| 14. | Ying Cheng Tzu Military Training Area    |
| 15. | Lu Ta Shipyard                           |
| 16. | Chou Shui Tzu Army Barracks              |
| 17. | Yen Tai Cruise Missile Site              |
| 18. | Yen Tai Airfield, South (Chefoo)         |
| 19. | Yen-Tai AW Radar Facility                |
| 20. | Yang-Ma Tao Prob. Coastal Defense Site   |
| 21. | Wei Hai Wei Naval Base                   |
| 22. | Tai Shan Airfield                        |

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23.	Wen Teng Military Storage Area
24.	Wen Teng Airfield
25.	Cheng Yang Army Bks
26.	Ching Shan Naval Facility
27.	Ching Tao/Liu Ting Airfield
28.	Ching Tao Airfield
29.	Ching Tao Army Bks NE Ku Tao
30.	Ching Tao Naval Base
31.	Ching Tao Seaplane Station
32.	Chiao Nan Army Bks
33.	Shang Hai Port Facilities North
34.	Shang Hai Port Facilities, South
35.	Shang Hai Port Facilities Pootung
36.	Shang Hai Port Facilities Central
37.	Shang Hai Complex
38.	Shang Hai/Chiang Wan Airfield
39.	Shang Hai Shipyard Complex
40.	Hu Niao Shan Possible Army Bks
41.	Lo Hua Island
42.	Kouchi Island
43.	Kou Chi Shan Possible Army Bks
44.	Ssu Chiao Island Army Bks
45.	Chu Shan Military Area

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46.	Wo Ching Tou Port Facilities
47.	Liu Heng Army Bks E.
48.	Tai Shan Island Military Area
49.	Nan Chiu Shan Prob. Cruise Msl/Coast Def. Site
50.	Hai Men Hq [ ] Division
*51.	Lu Chiao A/F
52.	Tung-Tou Shan AW Radar Facility
53.	Pu Men Cheng Poss. Electronics Site
54.	Pu Men Chang Naval Installations
55.	Tung Chi Army Bks
56.	Pei Ling Peninsula Cruise Missile Site
57.	Tan Yang Army Barracks, S. E.
58.	Lien Chiang Army Barracks, N. W.
*59.	Fu Chou/I Hsu Airfield
60.	Lien Chiang Army Bks
61.	Chang Lo Army Bks. S. W.
62.	Shang Kan Army Bks
63.	Po Lan Army Barracks
*64.	Lung Tien Airfield (Fu Ching)

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OPERATIONAL DATA

DISTANCE : 2285 NM  
TIME : 5 + 59  
T/O FUEL : 1320 GALS  
HI CONE : 140 GALS  
PROFILE : MAX ALT  
TAKE OFF TIME : 0030Z 23 DECEMBER 1968  
1930 22 DECEMBER 1968, Wash.,D.C. Time.

VULNERABILITY ESTIMATE

No confirmed operational surface-to-air missile sites are known to be within lethal range of the flight path. The nearest known SAM site is approximately 30 NM from the projected route of the aircraft. Although the mission aircraft will come within range of several MIG-21 based airfields it is believed that these MIGs will pose no threat as long as the mission aircraft remains 20 NM from the Mainland.

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This IDEALIST Mission as planned herein is approved.

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COORDINATION MESSAGES

1. Request for NPIC to search track for SAM sites. (1)
2. NPIC's report of the search of latest photographs  
available along the mission route for SAM sites. (2)
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5. Mission details coordinated with JRC/JCS. (5)
6. Intelligence summary of AOB, ROB, and SAM OB in the  
area of the mission. (6)

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